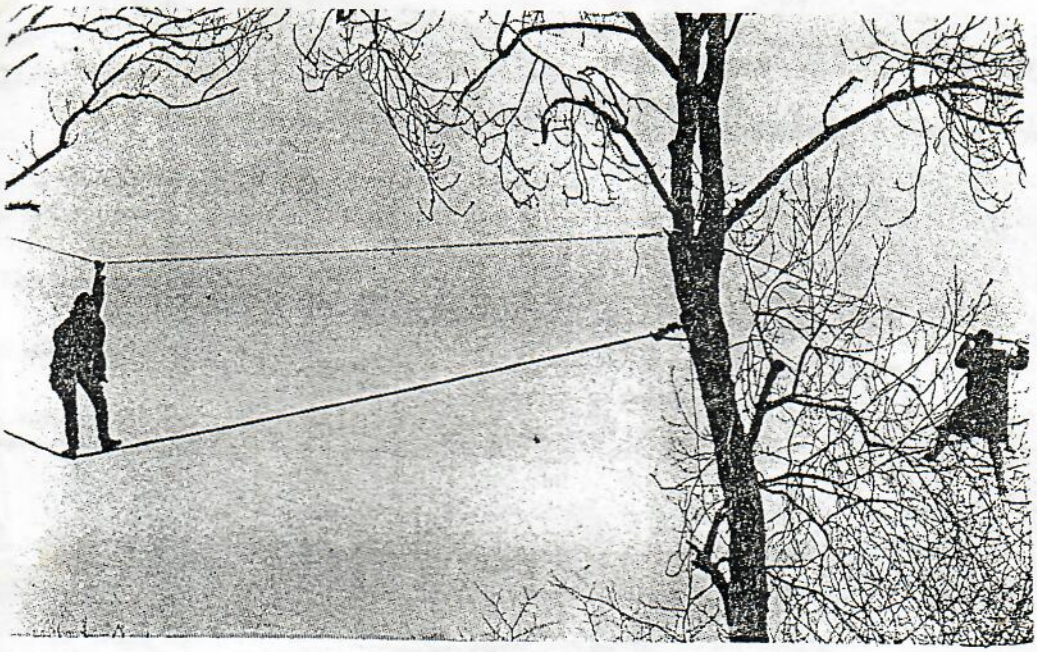
STOP THE BINGLEY BYPASS



CALL 01274 826520

When is a bypass not a bypass? When it is planned to go through the centre of Bingley. The proposed route of the Airedale trunk road is aimed at reducing traffic congestion and air/noise pollution in the Town of Bingley, yet the route is so close to the town that any reduction of traffic congestion will only be noticeable in a short term as the infill constuction which inevitably follows in the wake of such projects will undoubtably lead to further road usage and its partner in crime, air pollution.

With the levels of Nitrogen Dioxide in Bingley already the highest in the whole of the Bradford Metropolitan area, according to the Housing and Environmental Protection Department, surely the only realistic option is to REDUCE the flow of vehicle traffic through Bingley, rather than building yet another road which will add yet more pollution to the valley.

BINGLEY BYPASS

Existing Main Road

New Route

Pingles ... an SSSI with:

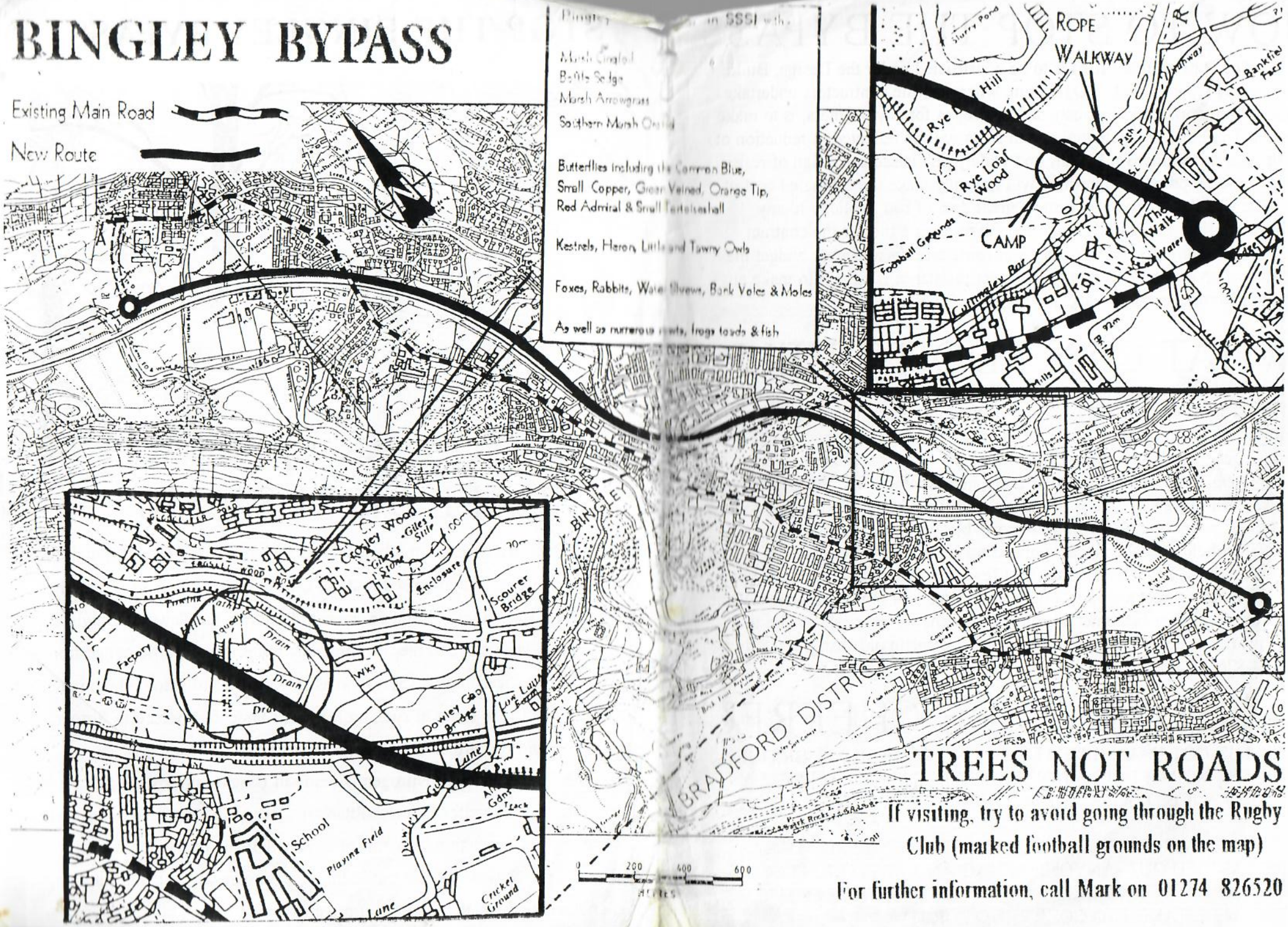
Marsh Cinquefoil
Bottle Sedge
Marsh Arrowgrass
Southern Marsh Orchid

Butterflies including the Common Blue, Small Copper, Green Veined, Orange Tip, Red Admiral & Small Tortoiseshell

Kestrels, Herons, Little and Tawny Owls

Foxes, Rabbits, Water Shrews, Bank Voles & Moles

As well as numerous plants, frogs toads & fish



TREES NOT ROADS

If visiting, try to avoid going through the Rugby Club (marked football grounds on the map)

For further information, call Mark on 01274 826520

HOW TO STOP THE BYPASS

The Bingley relief road is to be constructed under the Design, Build, Finance and Operate (D,B,F,O) system, where private contractors undertake construction work, and obviously the motive, as for any business, is to make a profit. Therefore any potential rise in costs will be reflected in reduction of profit, thus a imaginative, lengthy and widely publicised campaign of resistance to the proposed roadbuilding will not only make the estimated cost of the route rise sharply but also bring a great deal of bad publicity to any company foolish enough or greedy enough to enter a bid for the contract.

With estimates for this particular route already well over budget the addition of an energetic campaign of direct resistance is certain to make any potential contractor think twice about getting involved.

WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP ?

The Aire valley is a place of outstanding natural beauty which contains a Site of Significant Scientific Interest (S,S,S,I) threatened by the proposed route, a camp has been set up in Ryeloaf Fields to raise awareness of the impending threat to the area, if the construction begins, 'Live-in' treehouses will make eviction of protestors as difficult and as expensive an operation as possible in order to raise costs beyond those justifiable to company shareholders as 'reasonable operating costs'- the experiences of the construction group Costain in the past few days show that a mass campaign of non-violent direct action is a highly effective tool in the protection of the environment. If you are interested in visiting the camp or would like to assist by way of donations of food, equipment or plain old cash, please ring 01274 826520

REASONS TO BE CHEERFUL

THE DOT HAVE GIVEN UP TRYING TO DESIGN A BRIDGE OVER THE NORTH BOG, AT OVER 60FT DEEP IT HAS ALREADY CLAIMED A JCB DIGGER AND A STEAM LOCOMOTIVE.

NO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE ROUTE HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT -ANYONE AIDING AND ABETTING ITS CONSTRUCTION IS ACTING IN BREACH OF EU DIRECTIVE 85/337/EEC AND CAN BE TAKEN TO COURT - GO FOR IT!